

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, April 30, 2019)
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Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Eric Colvin
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Julie Burch, Recorder

1. WELCOME

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:02 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

I move to approve the Consent Agenda, which contains the Minutes of April 23, 2019, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

2. PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations were presented for:

- A. National Drug Court Month
- B. National Law Day

3. MAIN AGENDA

A. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Request for a Public Hearing - To extend moratorium on commercial dock use associated with water column leases

I move to deny the request for public hearing until new information becomes available.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

4. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR MAY 7 AND 14, 2019

B. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - Bus Drivers in St Mary's County Brief

Present: Dr. Rebecca Bolton Bridgett, County Administrator
Jeffrey Thompson, Director of Transportation, SMCPS
John Deatrck, Director, Department of Public Works & Transportation

A summary of the employers for bus drivers in St. Mary's County and a comparison of the compensation for the drivers were presented.

C. DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS - Recreation and Parks Proposed Agency Accreditation Process Brief

Present: Arthur Shepherd, Director

The importance of being accredited by the Commissions of Accreditation in Parks and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) and the process to attain it were presented.

D. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - St. Mary's County Regional Airport Brief

Present: John F Deatrck, Director, DPW&T
Chris Kaselemis, Director, DED

An update on the Strategic Plan to Build an Innovation Driven Economy utilizing the Innovation District concept at the airport and surrounding area was presented.

E. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Transfer of Bond Allocation Authority

I move to transfer the housing and non-housing bond allocation authority provided by the Maryland Department of Commerce back to the appropriate State agencies and have the Commissioner President sign the proposed letters to the Department of Commerce and the Department of Housing and Community Development and any related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

F. DEPARTMENT OF AGING & HUMAN SERVICES - FY19 Medicare Improvements for Patients And Providers Act (MIPPA) Grant Application

I move to approve the Medicare Improvements for Patients & Providers Act (MIPPA) application, project #US1913 #US1918 and #US1919, from the Maryland Department of Aging

on behalf of the Department of Aging and Human Services, in the amount of \$5,478 and authorize the Commissioner President to execute all related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

G. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - FY 2020 Critical Area Department of Natural Resources Grant

I move to approve the FY 2020 Critical Area DNR Grant Agreement, Project MD 2027 from the Department of Natural Resources on behalf of the Department of Land Use and Growth Management in the amount of \$5,000 and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

H. COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE - Reorganization

I move to approve the transfer of the Risk Manager position from the Department of Human Resources to the County Attorney's Office effective July 1, 2019.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

5. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week and provided general comments.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

I move to enter into Closed Session to discuss Personnel, Land Acquisition and Litigation

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

6. CLOSED SESSION

A. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Dept. of Human Resources
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:35 a.m. - 11:38 a.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To consider the salary of an employee.

B. LAND ACQUISITION

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
David Weiskopf, County Attorney
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(6) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:38 a.m. - 11:42 a.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To hold preliminary discussions concerning the acquisition and disposition of real property.

C. LITIGATION

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
David Weiskopf, County Attorney

Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(2) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:42 a.m. - 11:46 a.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To discuss strategy for settlement to avoid litigation.

D. LAND ACQUISITION

Present: James R. Guy, President

Eric Colvin, Commissioner

Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner

Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner

John E. O'Connor, Commissioner

Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator

David Weiskopf, County Attorney

John Deatrack, Director, Dept. of Public Works and Transportation

Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(6) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:46 a.m. - 12:03 p.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To hold preliminary discussions concerning the acquisition and disposition of real property.

E. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, President

Eric Colvin, Commissioner

Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner

Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner

John E. O'Connor, Commissioner

Catherine Pratson, Director, Dept. of Human Resources (Part of the meeting)

Authority: §9-512(a)(6) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 12:03 p.m. - 12:33 p.m.

Location: John Savich Meeting Room

Purpose: To consider salary of an employee.

MOTIONS IN OPEN SESSION

Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy

Commissioner Eric Colvin
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Motion 1. I move to approve classifying the Sheriff's Office Accreditation Coordinator as a grade 8 in FY2020 and changing the position title to Accreditation Manager.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Morgan, O'Connor

Not present for vote: Commissioner Hewitt

Motion 2. I move to approve salary increases in FY2020 for the following contract positions and authorize Commissioner President to execute the related documents - Emergency Services and Human Resources.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Morgan, O'Connor

Nay: Commissioner Colvin

Not present for vote: Commissioner Hewitt

7. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:36 p.m.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on 5/7/19

JB

Julie Burch, Senior Admin Coordinator